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February 3, 2004 LB 172, 183, 363, 527, 624, 633, 638, 644A 738, 1087, 1118 LR 14

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: The bill is advanced. Items for the record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Natural Resources reports LB 183 as Indefinitely postponed; LB 363, LB 527, LB 624, LB 633, LB 638, LB 738. Amendments to be printed: LB 1087, by Senator Beutler; and Senator Beutler to LB 1118; and Senator Schimek to LR 14CA, to be printed. And that's all that I have, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 496-498.)

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Next item on the agenda, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next bill, LB 172, has been discussed by the Legislature. It was a bill introduced by Senator Foley. It has been on Select File. The Legislature considered amendments yesterday. The next amendment I have to the bill, Mr. President, is Senator Schimek, AM2362. (Legislative Journal page 461.)

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Chair would recognize Senator Schimek, on her amendment.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. This amendment is one more good faith effort to find some kind of a compromise on LB 172, and I will briefly explain the amendment to you. It is fairly simple. It just says that on or before October 1 of each school year, each school district shall provide written notification to all students in grades 7 through 12 of the availability of written information explaining the provisions of Section 71-6902, et cetera. And then it goes on to say that the information shall be provided to a student upon the request of that student. So it's a two-pronged bill (sic). First, the students get notification that the information is available; secondly, they can request information. Now, I must say this is not my favorite amendment. This one has been watered down to a large degree but, yet, it still does assure that there's some information available to the students, and I think that it is...that it is an acceptable kind of an amendment. I haven't been fooling around here on this